RESOLUTION NO. 06-053

Adopted by the Sacramento Area Flood Control Agency

SUPPORTING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE CALIFORNIA INDIAN HERITAGE CENTER WITHIN THE RICHARDS BOULEVARD REDEVELOPMENT AREA AND THE LOWER REACH OF THE AMERICAN RIVER PARKWAY

WHEREAS, the California Department of Parks and Recreation and California Indian Heritage Center Task Force are planning a California Indian Heritage Center for the Sacramento Region on lands adjacent to the levees along the Lower American River. The Center will honor the diversity and history of the tribes through contemporary activities and will promote research and education for those who use the Center; and

WHEREAS, the development site under consideration is made up of a number of different parcels that are under the jurisdiction of multiple agencies, including land inside and outside of the American River Parkway (Parkway) which is managed by the County of Sacramento (County), and land within the Richards Boulevard Redevelopment Area in the City of Sacramento (City); and

WHEREAS, the project, if properly designed, could contribute to SAFCA's ongoing effort to improve floodplain management along the Lower American River; and

WHEREAS, the State, the City, and SAFCA support the recommendation for the development of the California Indian Heritage Center and express a willingness to cooperate in the development of this Center, including acquisition of the lands in the Richards Boulevard Redevelopment Area and the Parkway that are needed to support the Center; and

WHEREAS, there is a mutual desire to accommodate California Indian values, riparian habitat enhancement, improved recreational facilities, and riverfront developments consistent with the Parkway Plan; and

WHEREAS, the establishment of the California Indian Heritage Center can enhance the restoration and public use of the Parkway, encourage high quality development in the Richards Boulevard Redevelopment Area in the City of Sacramento, contribute to a rich and diverse cultural life in the Capitol region, and promote improved floodplain management along the Lower American River; and

WHEREAS, the City, SAFCA, and the County wish to honor the California Indian people who lived near the confluence of the American River and Sacramento River since ancient times by supporting their continued presence and participation in community life in the vicinity of the confluence of the Sacramento and American Rivers.

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SACRAMENTO AREA FLOOD CONTROL AGENCY BOARD OF DIRECTORS THAT:

SAFCA supports the development of the California Indian Heritage Center within the Richards Boulevard Redevelopment Area in the City of Sacramento and the lower reach of the American River Parkway, where a properly designed project and interpretive program can be accommodated in a manner that promotes SAFCA's ongoing effort to improve floodplain management along the Lower American River and is consistent with the goals of the American River Parkway Plan.

ON A MOTION BY Director Moose, seconded by Director Simon, the foregoing resolution was passed and adopted by the Board of Directors of the Sacramento Area Flood Control Agency, this 18th day of May 2006, by the following vote, to wit:

AYES:

Directors:

Christophel, Cohn, Collin, Dickinson, MacGlashan, Moose,

Peters, Shiels, Simon, Tretheway

NOES:

Directors:

None

ABSTAIN: Directors:

None

ABSENT:

Directors:

Fargo, Nottoli, Silva

Chair of the Board of Directors of the Sacramento Area Flood Control Agency

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ATTEST:

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